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FOR GEORGE WEST

E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJ: MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY

1. COMPLETE SYMPATHY GRAHAM LIMITATIONS. WE KNOW RIGORS LONG TRIP, TEMPERATURE/DIETARY CHANGES. PURPOSEFULLY KEEPING DAYS FREE OF COMMITMENTS FOR EVERYONE OUTSIDE THEATER REQUIREMENTS. POSSIBLE MINCULT WILL OFFER GRAHAM SPECIAL RESTRICTED INVITATIONS FOLLOWING ARRIVAL. HER CHOICE.

2. SOCIAL SCHEDULE:

A. AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION IS EVENING OF ARRIVAL BUT ASSUME ACCEPTABLE DUE EARLY ARRIVAL AND AVAILABLE REST THROULXOUT DAY. HER PREFERENCES DULY NOTED.

B. HOPE TO PRESENT HER FROM THE STAGE TO OFFICIAL/PROFESSIONAL AUDIENCE FOLLOAPNG "REHEARSAL" SEPT 30.

C. CAO LUNCHEON OR DINNER FOR MISS GRAHAM AND MINISTER OF CULTURE OCT 4 (REF RANGOON 2531-U).

D. MINISTRY OF CULTURE WILL GIVE FAREWELL PARTY FOR ENTIRE

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GROUP ON OCT 5 AFTERNOON.

3. PAO'S WIFE INVITES MISS GRAHAM MEET INFORMALLY LADIES OF INTERNATIONAL CULTURE GROUP AT MORNING COFFEE/AFTERNOON TEA HER HOUSE TALK ABOUT CAREER, TECHNIQUES. TIME AND DATE GRAHAM'S

CHOICE: OCT 2 OR 3.

4. GRAHAM AGE AND PRESENCE A DISTINCTION HERE. BURMA'S GREAT LADY OF SONG IS VENERATED AT 80.

5. CAO INVITES WEST, BATCHELDERS TO DINNER FOLLOWING "REHEARSAL" ON THE 30TH.

6. REMIND GROUP OFFICIAL GUEST STATUS NOT PREVIOUSLY EXTENDED US ARTISTS. SUCH RECOGNITION REQUIRED CABINET DECISION. ACCOMMODATIONS, FACILITIES WILL BE BEST AVAILABLE, BUT PROBABLY MEDIOCRE BY GROUPS EXPERIENCE SO FAR. PROUD BURMESE WELL AWARE OF DIFFERENCES WHICH BEYOND CMWTROL. THE QUALITY OF THE ARTIST AS CRUCIAL AS HIS ARTISTRY HERE. BURMA HAS ONLY GOVERNMENT PRESS TO REPORT ON BOTH.

7. POST HAS AVAILABLE BUT LIMITED HEALTH FACILITIES. SUGGEST DO ALL POSSIBLE IN BANGKOK.
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